

SEC. 2. All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

Conflicting laws repealed.

SEC. 3. This Act shall be in full force and effect from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 13th day of March, A.D. 1937.

H. B. 620

CHAPTER 154

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION TWO HUNDRED AND TWENTY (a) OF THE CONSOLIDATED STATUTES OF NORTH CAROLINA BY ADDING A NEW PARAGRAPH TO BE KNOWN AS PARAGRAPH SIX, REGULATING THE MAKING OF LOANS GENERALLY REFERRED TO AS "PERSONAL LOANS," AND THE DISCOUNT OF NOTES, BY COMMERCIAL BANKS DOING BUSINESS IN THIS STATE; AND PROVIDING THAT THE INTEREST ON SUCH LOANS AND THE DISCOUNT ON SUCH NOTES MAY BE DEDUCTED IN ADVANCE FROM THE PROCEEDS OF SUCH LOANS OR DISCOUNT OF SUCH NOTES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That section two hundred and twenty (a) of the Consolidated Statutes of North Carolina be and it hereby is amended by adding to said section a new paragraph to be known as paragraph six as follows:

C. S. 220 (a), amended as to loans and discounts by commercial banks.

6. Any commercial bank, savings bank, or trust company, heretofore or hereafter organized under any general or special laws of this State and any National bank doing business in this State, shall have power, in addition to such other powers as it may have:

(a) Upon the making of a loan or discount, to deduct in advance, from the proceeds of such loan, interest at a rate not exceeding six per centum (6%) per annum upon the amount of the loan from the date thereof until the maturity of the final installment, notwithstanding that the principal amount of such loan is required to be repaid in installments: *Provided*, no loan made under the provisions of this Act shall exceed fifteen hundred (\$1,500.00) dollars to any one person, firm, partnership, or corporation.

Interest at the rate of 6% may be deducted in advance, on loans not exceeding \$1500.00.

(b) Nothing in this Act shall be construed as in any wise extending or increasing or decreasing the powers of commercial banks, savings banks, or trust companies or National banks to make loans or discount notes other than as herein or by other laws expressly provided.

Strict construction of Act.

SEC. 2. That any and all provisions of section two hundred and twenty-five (a) of the Consolidated Statutes of North Caro-

Conflicting laws repealed.